

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 16, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- U.S. Patent No. 6,281,695 to Chung, et al. is directed to an integrated circuit package pin indicator that may include probe guides. The Chung indicator includes a top marking plate with indicia for the multiple pins of the IC package. Each pin marker terminates in a hole or slot that is adapted to guide a probe to a selected pin. There are many problems with the Chung indicator. For example, one problem with the Chung indicator is that it must be made for each size and shape IC package. This could require the user to purchase and store an incredible number of different sized ~~claw-grips~~ indicators. Still another problem is that the Chung indicator contacts all sides of the IC package. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 19, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- FIGS. 14 and 15 show an eleventh exemplary embodiment of a guide 20j of the present invention having at least one divider guide insulator 30j' that may be supported by a mounting apparatus 30j". The divider guide insulators 30j' are preferably thin flexible insulating material that can index between ~~[[of]]~~ close transmission paths 24. Although shown in an "L" shape, alternate embodiments could have a different shape, particularly if the mounting apparatus 30j" extends beyond the periphery of the circuit board component 26. Although the divider guide insulators 30j' and the mounting apparatus 30j" are shown as separate units, alternative embodiments could have them as an integral unit (FIG. 18). The mounting apparatus 30j" may have temporary or permanent adhesive on its lower side to assist in the mounting thereof. The divider guide insulators 30j' have at least one insulated exterior surface 32. The

insulated exterior surface 32 prevents short-circuiting with adjacent transmission paths

24. The at least one divider guide insulator 30j' defines a passageway 34

therebetween. Each passageway 34 has a first tip passageway end 36 and a second

transmission path passageway end 38. In this embodiment, the first tip passageway

end 36 is relatively close to the second transmission path passageway end 38. The first

passageway end 36 is suitable for accommodating a tip 22. The first tip passageway

end 36 would help to guide and secure the tip 22 within the first tip passageway end 36.

The second passageway end 38 is suitable for accommodating a transmission path 24.

The tip 22 contacts the transmission path 24 through the passageway 34 when the tip

22 is positioned in the first passageway end 36 and the transmission path 24 is

positioned within the second passageway end 38. Alternative embodiments of this

embodiment may include one or many passageways 34. Still other alternative

embodiments may have a mounting apparatus 30j'' of variable length in which it may be

divided (perhaps by cutting, scoring, or perforation) or joined (using connection

apparatus) with other mounting apparatus 30j''. --